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For: **Data Processing System and Method for Password Protecting a Boot Device**

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- ☒ Patent Specification - 11 pages
- ☒ Claims - 6 pages
- ☒ Abstract - 1 page
- ☒ Informal drawings - three (3) sheets
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- ☒ An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet)
- ☐ A certified copy of a ☐ application
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